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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A confirming facsimile (FAX) machine comprising:

means for scanning and sending each page of a document electronically to a receiving FAX

machine;

means for marking each page of a document scanned and sent by said FAX machine with an

ink message, the ink message being printed with an invisible ink which is only visible in the ultra violet

(UV) spectrum; and

means for reading said marking to confirm the scanning and sending of each page of said

document, wherein said means for reading said marking is a low power UV pen light,

wherein said FAX machine is configured to confirm that each page of a document has been

scanned and sent by said FAX machine to a particular receiving FAX machine at a particular time and

date.

Claims 2-3. (Canceled)

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Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The confirming FAX machine of claim [[2]] 1, further comprising:

a document output tray for receiving said each page of said document sent; and

a low power UV light so mounted on said FAX machine as to illuminate said marking on each

said page of said document as it enters said document tray.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The confirming FAX machine of claim 1, wherein said marking

means is a printer for marking data including date, time the FAX is sent, and telephone number to which

the FAX is sent.

Claim 6. (Original) The confirming FAX machine of claim 5, further comprising a printer controller for

receiving electrical signals representing time, date, and FAX number from said FAX machine and

controls said printer by sending corresponding electrical control signals to said printer.

Claim 7. (Original) The confirming FAX machine of claim 6, wherein said printer controller is

programmed to scroll the carriage of said printer down a line at a time for each page faxed until

programmed to return to the top of a page, whereby the chances of overwriting a confirmation marking

made when previously FAXED is significantly reduced.

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Claim 8. (Original) The confirming FAX machine of claim 7, wherein said printer is an ink jet printer.

Claim 9. (Original) The confirming FAX machine of claim 7, wherein said printer is a thermal process

printer.

Claim 10. (Original) The confirming FAX machine of claim 9, wherein said thermal process printer

comprises a print engine, having a pressing roller which presses the document against a ribbon coated

with invisible ink, and a printer head on the opposite side of the ribbon and document which melts small

dots of the ink which are pressed against the document to form said markings.

Claims 11-14. (Canceled)

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) A facsimile (FAX) confirmation device comprising:

means for marking each page of a document scanned and sent by a FAX machine with an ink

message, the ink message being printed with an invisible ink which is only visible in the ultra violet (UV)

spectrum;

a document output tray for receiving said each page of said document sent, and a low power

UV light so mounted on said FAX confirmation device as to illuminate said marking on each said page

of said document as it enters said document tray; and

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means for reading said marking to confirm the scanning and sending of each page of the

document to a particular receiving FAX machine at a particular time and date,

wherein said FAX confirmation device is configured to be attached with a FAX machine at a

point past the output of a scanner of said FAX machine.

Claim 16 (Canceled)

Claim 17. (Previously Presented) The FAX confirmation device of claim 15, wherein said means for

reading said marking is a low power UV pen light.

Claim 18. (Canceled)

Claim 19. (Previously Presented) The FAX confirmation device of claim 15, wherein said marking

means is a printer for marking data including date, time each page of the document is sent, and

telephone number to which each page of the document is sent.

Claim 20. (Previously Presented) The FAX confirmation device of claim 19, further comprising a

printer controller for receiving electrical signals representing time, date, and FAX number from the

FAX machine and controlling said printer by sending corresponding electrical control signals to said

printer.